



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q67040

Koji UTSUGI, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/985,852

Group Art Unit: 1745

Examiner: Laura WEINER

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GROUP FOR TOO LITHIUM SECONDARY CELL AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING SAME

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION AND ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 14, 2003 in which the Examiner has required a restriction, Applicant responds by electing Species I for Group I, i.e., claims 1-5, 20 and 25. This election is made without prejudice to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected claims.

Prompt and favorable action on the elected claims is now respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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